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The News Organ of the Capital City Squares

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Plan Ahead!

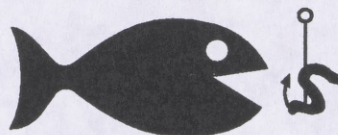
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If you turn to the Coming Events page and the Calendar page, you will find that both these listings are getting crowded. This is occurring because more and more clubs (including Capital City Squares and Prime 8's) are planning their club events more and more in advance. They are doing this not only to have the coming year organized but to avoid event conflicts with nearby clubs. In that way more and more people can participate in more and more events.

So what should you, the typical CCS member, do when faced with this plethora of events? You should plan ahead and make necessary preparations for the events that catch your fancy. For instance, the New Members Hoedown is the kick-off event for the Capital City Squares teaching and activity season. CCS members should be working on (over?) their non square dancing friends to convince them to give square dancing a try. Again, if you are planning to go to the IAGSDC Convention in Seattle in July 1993, you should be getting together with people to organize your sleeping pod housing arrangements at the University of Washington residence halls. Also, if you have just finished a square dance level, look for and prepare yourself for opportunities to dance that level, perhaps even at a straight square dance club function.

The point is that these lists are for your benefit. There are many events to choose from once you become a square dancer. With the help of James Ozanich, we work to make these event lists as accurate and as useful as possible. So start checking off the events you want to attend and start planning ahead.



The CEO Speaks!



Why does the above silhouette haunt the CEO's dreams?

It's been a very full summer, hasn't it? I don't know about you, but I've been having fun. Between all the dancing and trips here 'n' there, I've even managed to move. My new apartment is now decorated in contemporary cardboard box with accents of packing material and tape. Lovely! I've also realized how much furniture I don't have—not even a bed (doesn't stop me though).

Now that we are into August, please realize that it's time to start looking around for likely prospects for this year's beginning class. Who do you know that might like to try square dancing? Who do you know that started once or used to square dance that just might be coaxed back into it? Think about it. We've got the "New Member Intro to Square Dancing" Hoedown and classes lined up—we need attendees!! The Board has decided to run ads in the local gay papers in September, and there is the possibility of exhibition dancing "here 'n' there," but the primary mode of getting new people is still "word of mouth." TALK IT UP! New meat—I mean blood, I mean victims, I mean—ya know what I

mean—is the life of the Club.
TALK IT UP!

Summer dancing is doing quite well—we have had two or more squares (OK, two squares and cheer leaders . . .) at Lambda Center each time. The rest of the summer is "yet to be danced" with August 11 and 25. September rounds it off with the 8th and 22nd at Lambda Center. Come join us! It's FUN!

Bill and Michael (Heidi, of course, is hostESS) are opening their house for a potluck/swim party on Saturday, August 22. This one will be different in that the Club (and the efforts of B & M (or was that S & M or D & C or e-i-e-i-o, I give up)) is going to supply the main dish and the rest of us are to bring salads and desserts. It's around 2 P.M. (Bill says if you show up earlier, you get to help set up—so bring that feather duster and cute French maid outfit.) Also bring a swimsuit (or not) and towel.

Rainbow Festival is Sunday, September 5. There is talk of both exhibition dancing and/or an info booth. We need volunteers for this. It's a great opportunity to inform the public and to expose yourself! DO IT!

It's summer, it's warm, I fried myself at the American River, my typewriter died, I don't have a PC, and I'm tired of writing.

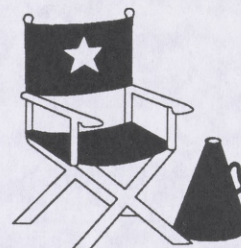
Whatever I forgot, I'm sorry!

See ya dancin',

☺ George

PS.: I talked to Eric at Fifes—DATE CHANGE to April 23-25. They are excited about it. Paul Waters has been hired for the occasion. (See

WSD's Camp Caz Retreat, not to mention gossip columns all over the place on Paul.) Anyway, I am excited about next year's retreat!



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The Board meeting was held at Bill, Michael, and Heidi's in Citrus Heights. Present were Bill, Michael, George, Rick C., Rick A., Fred, Kas, James O., Hugh, Robin, and Mark.

George and Bill sorted through various fliers from other clubs announcing fly-ins and such. Then an announcement was made that the CCS Club banner has returned from Albuquerque, where it arrived late and never got hung.

Dancing for the coming season has all been arranged thanks very much to Jeff and Dennis. Also set is the New Members Hoedown, which Andy Shore will be calling.

Rick A. says that the treasury stands at \$863.00 and the church rental for the New Members Hoedown has been paid.

Regarding the Rainbow Festival, September 6, at the last dance night at the Lambda Center, Stuart volunteered to look into putting together a demonstration square. As of this meeting there is no news to report on the issue.

On the subject of advertising, George has contacted both of the main local gay newspapers regarding ads for September. Here are their rates: *Mom*, *Guess What* wants \$13.00 per column inch with a 5% discount for a contract of six months. The ad is due September 1. *The Latest Issue* wants \$12.00 per column inch with a 25% discount for non-profit organizations. Their deadline is September 5. George figures we can get a nice size ad into both papers for around \$200.00 total. Bill will be putting the ad together for print. Hugh showed us a wonderful "Wanted" poster/ad that he had designed that may

influence Bill's commercial design efforts

The Board is still discussing the idea of business cards for the Club. James will acquire one from Western Star Dancers for Bill to inspect since he will be designing ours.

Camp Caz is coming up in October, the weekend before Halloween. Bill will soon be including an article on such.

August 22 will be the Pool party/pot luck at Bill and Michael's.

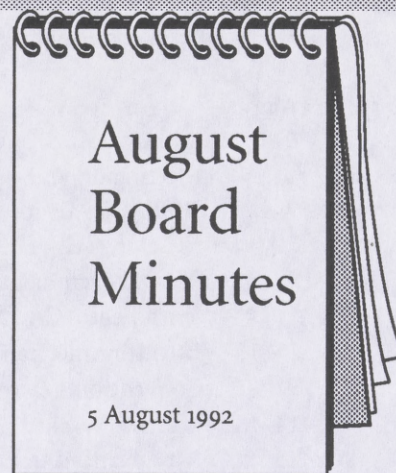
James has been working on scheduling our first monthly dance set for October 10 at the Barn in Orangevale. Dick Houlton will be calling.

Fifes: It seems that April 23 and 24 are best for the owners. Paul Waters will be calling. If possible, dancing will be arranged at the Veterans Hall in Guerneville where it was last year. James will try to book Paul Waters for one of our monthly dances also.

Somehow the El Camino Reelers have acquired the Prime 8's banner, which did make it to Albuquerque. They have requested the 8's to retrieve the banner at their dance Saturday, August 29 in Palo Alto. Bill Peterson from Michigan will be calling.

Robin's church is having a retreat at Echo Lake and she will be teaching those interested some basic calls. James asked Robin to gather some info about the resort so that we could look into it as an alternate in case Fifes falls through.

Hugh is still getting responses from folks around Stockton regarding

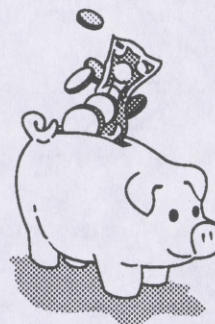


"Big Valley Squares." Hugh also related that David Cogswell's health is gradually slipping and asked that we keep David in our thoughts and prayers. Hang in there, David!

The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, September 2, at 7:00 at Bill and Michael's.

Respectfully submitted by

✍ Mark



The CEO Moves

Our CEO has changed residence. Please up date your records to read as follows:

George Fox
3360 Shadow Tree Drive #426
Sacramento, CA 95834-1843
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Coming Events

* signifies an ostensibly "straight" event

August

- 6-9 8th Annual IGRA Convention (Business Meeting only), Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN.
- 7-9 * PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Ross Howell), Hayward, CA.
- 8 * Old Sacramento Square Dance Festival, Sacramento, CA.
- 13-15 * 11th American Advanced & Challenge Convention, Dayton, OH
- 14-16 Western Weekend, Guerneville, CA.
- 15 * Advanced Dance (Vic Cedar), TNT's, Royer Park, Roseville, CA
- 21-29 * Square Dancing at California State Fair, Cal Expo, Sacramento, CA.
- 21-23 "Dive for the Oyster, Dig for the Clam," (Paul Waters & Don Wood), Puddletown Dancers, Seattle, WA..
- 22 CCS Pool/Potluck/Party, Bill & Michael's, Citrus Heights, CA.
- 22 FCD Dance (Vic Kaaria), Woodside, CA.
- 22 * Square Dance Day at Great America, Santa Clara, CA.
- 29 Dance, (Bill Peterson), El Camino Reelers, Palo Alto, CA.

September

- 4-6 "Great Chicago Crossfire IV," Chi-Town Squares, Chicago, IL.
- 4-6 IGRA Zia Regional Rodeo, Albuquerque, NM.
- 6 Sacramento Rainbow Festival, 20th Street, Sacramento, CA.
- 11-13 * PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Anne Uebelacker), Hayward, CA.
- 13 A-2 Dance (Anne Uebelacker), Midnight Squares, Live Oak School, San Francisco, CA.
- 18-20 * "C-1 in Apple Country in Autumn" (Vic Cedar & John Sybalsky), Sebastopol, CA.
- 18-20 Leather Weekend, San Francisco, CA.
- 18 Advanced Dance (Tom Manning), Prime 8's, Sacramento, CA.
- 19 WSD Dance (Tom Manning), San Francisco, CA.
- 20 Folsom Street Fair, San Francisco, CA.
- 24 Bradley Family National Holiday
- 25-27 San Diego Gay Rodeo, San Diego, CA.
- 25-27 Fly-In, (Eddie Ramsey), Cotton Pickin' Squares, Memphis, TN.
- 26 CCS New Members Hoedown (Andy Shore), Central United Methodist Church, Sacramento, CA.

October

- 2-4 IGRA Atlantic States Gay Rodeo, Washington, DC.
- 2-4 "Perk Up in Vancouver" (Anne Uebelacker, Sandra Bryant, & Ray Brendzy), 3rd Gay Advanced & Challenge Fly-in, Vancouver, BC.
- 4 Castro Street Fair, San Francisco, CA.
- 6 CCS Fall Classes Start, Sacramento, CA..
- 9-11 "U-Turn Back to Huajatolla" (Jim Palmer), Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus, Cuchara, CO.9 Fly-In, (Paul Waters & Bill Eyler), Cleveland City Country Dancers, Cleveland, OH
- 10 CCS Dance (Dick Houlton), The Barn, Orangevale, CA.
- 10 Names Project Quilt, Washington, DC.
- 11 National Coming Out Day
- 23-26 WSD Camp Caz Retreat (Paul Waters), Way up above the Russian River, CA.
- 23-25 IGRA Finals Rodeo, Phoenix, AZ.
- 30-N 1 New York Fly-In (Sandra Bryant & Todd Fellegly), Times Squares, New York City, NY



August Birthdays

- 6 Del Powell
- 8 David Borad
- 15 Anthony Dasso
- 25 Mark Smithson
- 26 Bob Koski

Coming Events

November

- 7 FCD Anniversary Dance (Mike DeSisto), San Francisco, CA.
- 8 Advanced Dance (Mike DeSisto), Midnight Squares, San Francisco, CA.
- 13-15 IGRA Dallas Gay Rodeo, Dallas, TX..
- 14-15 PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Bronc Wise), Hayward, CA.
- 14 CCS Dance, Sacramento, CA
- 27-29 SATB Fly-In (Paul Waters, Ray Brendzy), Stars Across the Border, Vancouver, BC.
- 27 Basics Only Dance (Shelby Dawson) WSD, San Francisco, CA.
- 28 MS/Plus Dance (Shelby Dawson), WSD, San Francisco, CA.
- 29 WSD Beer Bust, S F Eagle, San Francisco, CA.

December

- 4-6 "Chase Right Through That Neon Rainbow" (Bill Eyler), Neon Squares, Las Vegas, NV.
- 5 Anniversary Dance (Jet Roberts), ECR, Palo Alto, CA.
- 12 PACE Challenge Dance (Jerry Story), East Bay, CA.
- 12 CCS Workshops & Dance, Sacramento, CA.
- 19-20 Sacramento Men's Chorus Holiday Concert, Sacramento, CA.

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January

- 15-17 Fly-In, Desert Valley Squares, Phoenix, AZ.
- 16 CCS Dance, Sacramento, CA.

February

- 12-15 Fly-In, Tinseltown Squares, Los Angeles, CA.
- 20 CCS Workshops & Dance, Sacramento, CA.

Who Will Bake Our Cakes?

Art Boehm and Jeff Ramos are moving to Tucson, Arizona, in October. We will miss both of them very much, but their departure causes one particular problem expressed in the title of this blurb. Each month one night is set aside to celebrate the birthdays for that month (July never gets celebrated!), and Art and Jeff have been baking and decorating the cakes for these and other Club celebrations. Would any of you budding Julia Child's out there like to volunteer for this job? You will be compensated for your expenses by the Club.

March

- 20 CCS Dance, Sacramento, CA.

April

- 23-25 CCS Anniversary Retreat (Paul Waters), Fifes, Guerneville, CA.
- 25 National March for Gay Rights, Washington, DC.
- 30-M 2 5th SATB Round-Up, Vancouver, BC., Canada.

June

- 19 Sacramento Gay Pride Dance (Andy Shore), CCS, Sacramento, CA.

July

- 2-4 "Remake the Circle," 10th IAGSDC Convention, Seattle, WA.

August

- 21 CCS Workshops & Dance, Sacramento, CA.

Local Contacts:

CCS Capital City Squares

George (916) 929-8697 Bill (916) 969-5153

Prime 8's

Art (916) 966-1734 Del (916) 446-4396

WSD Western Star Dancers

Max (415) 431-6238 Anna (415) 621-0862

FCD Foggy City Dancers

Ken (415) 821-0417 Mike (415) 695-1376

MS Midnight Squares

Roger (415) 664-0513 Claire (415) 861-1979

ECR El Camino Reelers

Randy (415) 961-7504

SOW Sequoia Ocean Waves

Mary Ann & Lyn (707) 444-2775

PACE

James (916) 925-4242 Nancy (415) 479-7076

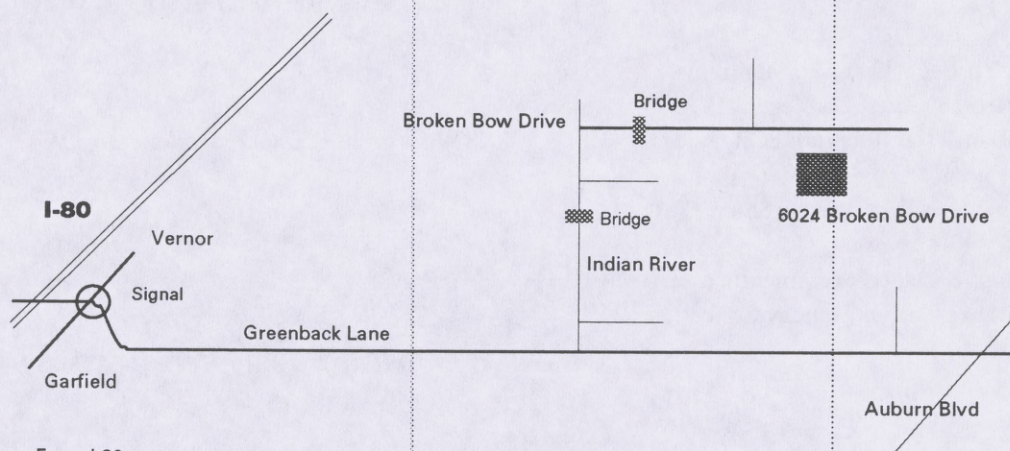
TNT's

Stan & Bill (916) 929-8828

Second Summer Pool Potluck Party at Bill and Michael's Home in Citrus Heights

The August potluck/pool party will be held at Bill and Michael's on Saturday, August 22, at 2 P.M. Please bring beverages and either a salad or a dessert for the meal. The Club will provide hotdogs and hamburgers (and fixin's). We will probably eat around 5 or 6 P.M.

Bill McCrory and Michael Foft
6024 Broken Bow Drive
Citrus Heights, CA 95621
(916) 969-5153



From I-80:
 Take the second left turn land after the Vernon-Garfield-Greenback signal onto Indian river.
 The third street on lthe right is Broken Bow. We are the third house on the right after you cross
 the bridge on Broken Bow.

From Auburn Blvd.:
 Turn west on Greenback Lane. Indian River is the second street on the right.

New Tuesday Dance Location

Starting with our first class on October 6, Capital City Squares will be meeting at a new location: Jefferson Elementary School, 2001 Pebblewood St, in South Natomas. It is north of El Camino, between Azevedo and Truxel. And the good news is that it is FREE!

The down side of our incredible good fortune in finding a free dance location is that we have agreed to a

couple of rules.1) TENNIS SHOES ONLY. Boots might scuff up the (linoleum) floors.2) NO SMOKING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY. School property ends at the curb.we will provide a butt can as in previous years... please use it.

In these difficult times for both government and private operations, we are extremely fortunate to find a dancing venue which is free of charge. It saves us more than \$50 per week over the past years costs. For the coming year, the club has a weekend dance planned every

month while the class is in progress. The money we save on the class hall will go a long way to help fund these dances. They will be fun oriented dances, held at a different location, and you can definitely wear your boots at these events!

I hope that you all will cooperate with these two simple rules, and help insure that we keep a good working relationship with the School. Thanks for your understanding...

✂ Jeff

BRADLEY WHO? BRADLEY BELL--THAT'S WHAT!

Bradley Bell is a personal telephone directory of square dancers and their friends who are either members of gay square dance clubs or who just want to be listed in the directory. Yes, it's for real. This is the Fifth Edition, and over 50% of our subscribers have renewed their listings since 1988. It is sorted in this order: (First) State or non-U.S. country, (Second) City or geographical location of the club, and (Third) Alphabetical by first name of the subscribers. Listed will be your name, address, home phone number, and birthday. (If you don't want one of these data elements to be published, just don't give it to us.) There are no club affiliations indicated in order to avoid the confusion of people belonging to more than one club.

We even indicate whether or not you have an answering machine. We think this information will be helpful in deciding when to call. When you're hot, you're hot! Leave a message to let them know. Another benefit of subscribing to *Bradley Bell* is receiving a birthday greeting from the Bradleys--assuming you gave us your birthday to publish.

Who is publishing *Bradley Bell*. Members of the Bradley family, that's who. So, what's the Bradley family? A group of people who are close friends who are committed to square dancing, but who know how to have fun while being serious about it. We are members of the Shady Rest Dancers who are from Hooterville, USA (near Pixley). The five family members who are actually publishing THE *Bell* are (in order of age--our beauty is indefinable):

Mama Jo (Freeman Stamper) Suzie Jo (Sue Siegfried)
Janie Jo (Tom Tripp) Wynonna Jo (Eddie Smith) Blanchie Jo (James Ozanich)

Collectively, we represent about 100 years of square dance experience. We believe strongly in the community of gay square dancing. We are very social people, and, through *Bradley Bell*, we hope each of you will be able to keep in touch with others whom you meet at conventions and fly-ins. Please don't cause us to make you feel unwanted by asking if you can be a Bradley. You are either born a Bradley or you're not. There's no such thing as membership; we are family.

What is all this "alternate name" stuff? Well, Bradley is our real names, but we have other names we use professionally. We think everyone should have two or three personae, and *Bradley Bell* gives you the opportunity to declare your real selves to the world. Nicknames and CB and BB handles fall into this category also.

Does it cost money? Yes, but it's not expensive. Believe us; the best things in life are not free. Checks are appreciated since they provide a receipt for you, but you may send cash if you feel comfortable sending small amounts of money in the mail. You can't buy the *Bell* with American Express; but you shouldn't leave home without your *Bell*.

Bradley Bell is published the first of September each year. The number of subscribers continues to increase, with almost 300 subscribers last year. It's fun! It's exciting! It's useful! (And you can't even say that about a lot of tricks.) Last year there were 51.6% renewals from the prior editions. Of the original subscribers in 1988, 52.1% were still listed in 1991.

We sincerely hope that you will want to be a part of this growing publication. Feel free to make copies of the subscription form on the reverse and provide them to other members of your club and families.

Remember, with *Bradley Bell*, "You're just a yellowrock away."

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Summer Schedule

☞ Dancing at the Lambda Community Center (20th & L Streets, Sacramento):

July 14th & 28th
August 11th & 25th
September 8th & 22nd

☞ Potluck Pool Parties:

July 18th at Rich & Rick's
August 22nd at Bill & Michael's

☞ New Members Hoedown:

September 26th at the Central United Methodist Church (53rd & H Streets, Sacramento)



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